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**September 27, 2019**

***Save The Date!***



**The Germantown Oktoberfest is Back!**  
**Saturday, October 5 10:00am – 3:00pm**  
**Location: throughout the town's center**

A parade will start in the center of town at 10:00am and will march down Century Blvd. from Middlebrook Road to Aircraft Drive. Featured will be 30 units, including high school marching bands, cheerleaders, historical groups, elected officials, etc. County Councilmember Craig Rice, who represents Germantown, is the grand marshal. Fox 5 news anchor Wisdom Martin will be announcing from the grandstand in front of the BlackRock Center for the Arts, located at 12901 Town Commons Drive, and a presentation from the Montgomery County Council will take place with Councilmember Evan Glass on BlackRock's outdoor stage at 11:30am.

Other Oktoberfest festivities begin at 11:00am after the parade and will include a beer garden, vendors, and live music at BlackRock Center for the Arts.

In addition, the Salvation Army will host a bounce house, inflatables and children's activities at 20021 Aircraft Drive.

The Montgomery County Police Department is hosting an open house at 20000 Aircraft Drive.

The Germantown Volunteer Fire Department, located at 20001 Crystal Rock Drive, will also open its doors for tours, rescue demonstrations, children's activities and more.

The Germantown Community Flea Market will set up shop in the MARC rail commuter lot at Germantown Road and Bowman Mill Drive from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Look for other activities at the Greene Turtle, 19961 Century Boulevard, and the Germantown Library at 19840 Century Boulevard.

At 11:30am, County Councilmember Evan Glass will make a presentation to the Oktoberfest Committee at BlackRock Center for the Arts.

If you are attending the event, here's what you need to know...

***You are encouraged to use the free shuttle that will run from 9:00am to 2:00pm between the Germantown campus parking lot of Montgomery College and the Germantown Transit Center on Aircraft Drive.***

Street closures 9:30am – 12:00noon

- Middlebrook Road - between Rt. 118 and Celebration Way
- Century Boulevard – between Middlebrook Road and Cloverleaf Center Drive
- Town Commons Drive at Century Boulevard
- Pinnacle Drive at Century Boulevard
- Crystal Rock Drive between Century Boulevard and Rexmore Drive
- Aircraft Drive - between Century Boulevard and Crystal Rock Drive

This event is hosted by the Germantown Oktoberfest Committee:

Peace of Hearts

Germantown Alliance

BlackRock Center for the Arts

Montgomery College

Holiday Inn Express

Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce

Germantown Historical Society

Germantown Volunteer Fire Department

Visit Montgomery

Montgomery County (Upcounty Regional Office, Police, Transportation, Recreation)

... and supported by Montgomery County's Departments of Transportation and Recreation, and by Highway and Safety Services, Inc.

For more information, contact the Montgomery County's Upcounty Regional Office at 240-777-8000 or [upcounty.citizen@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:upcounty.citizen@montgomerycountymd.gov).

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**Ridge Road Recreational Park In-Line Hockey Rink Reopening &  
Washington Capitals Street Hockey Clinics**

**Saturday, September 28 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**Ridge Road Recreational Park  
21155 Frederick Road Germantown**

*A Free event!*

Join the Washington Capitals and Montgomery Parks for the ribbon cutting and reopening of the In-Line Hockey Rink at Ridge Road Recreational Park. The Washington Capitals partnered with Montgomery Parks to create a state-of-the-art rink with a new playing surface, scoreboard, backboards, players seating areas, and fencing. Following brief remarks and a ribbon cutting, the Washington Capitals will host free street hockey clinics for youth ages 8-14.

Bring your family for a chance to test out the new rink and get some photos with the Capitals Mascot Slapshot!



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## *Save the Date!*

### **County's State Legislators Hosting a Transportation Summit** **Monday, October 28 7:00pm** **Montgomery College-Germantown Campus**

In a response to Governor Hogan's decision to not fund the Corridor Cities Transitway (CCT), our local legislators are holding a community transportation summit. The CCT is a 15-mile transitway project that is to be constructed from the Shady Grove Metro to Clarksburg and it is an integral component of the Shady Grove Study Area Master Plan <https://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/communities/area-2/shady-grove/shady-grove-study-area-master-plan-1990/>. This transit project serves as a trigger for allowing phases of development in the Shady Grove Area to proceed. Here's a link to [www.cctmaryland.com](http://www.cctmaryland.com) and the project overview at <https://www.cctmaryland.com/index.php/about-the-project/project-overview>

You can review the current projects in the State's draft transportation program at <http://www.mdot.maryland.gov/newMDOT/Planning/CTP/Index.html>.

The State's transportation officials' annual meeting with Montgomery County's state delegation to discuss the draft transportation program for 2020-2025 is scheduled for Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00pm at the Council Office Bldg., 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Hearing Room, 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville.

#### Background

##### **What is the CTP?**

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) is pleased to present the State's six-year capital investment program for transportation, the FY 2020-2025 Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP).

The Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP) is Maryland's six-year capital budget for transportation projects. The CTP contains projects and programs across the Department, including the MDOT Maryland Aviation Administration, the MDOT Motor Vehicle Administration, the MDOT Maryland Transit Administration, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, the MDOT Maryland State Highway Administration, the MDOT Maryland Port Administration, and the Maryland Transportation Authority. The CTP includes capital projects that are generally new, expanded or significantly improved facility or service that may involve planning, environmental studies, design, right-of-way acquisition, construction or the purchase of essential equipment related to the facility or service. An expanded description is shown for each major project, along with a list of minor capital projects.

##### **How is the CTP Developed?**

Working together with Maryland's citizens, local jurisdictions and the local and State delegations, projects that preserve transportation system investments, enhance transportation services and expand transportation opportunities throughout the State are added to the CTP. In order to help Maryland's citizens review this document, a summary of the Department's financing and budget process and a "how to read" each Project Information Form (PIF) is included.

##### **What is the Annual Fall Tour Meeting?**

Annually, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) meets with each County in the State of Maryland, along with Baltimore City, to share the Draft Consolidated Transportation Program between September 15th and November 15th. ***The FY 2020 – FY 2025 Consolidated Transportation Program – Fall 2019 Tour Schedule is now available [here](#)*** (note: Change to Baltimore County location AND St. Mary's County Date).

##### **What is the State Report on Transportation?**

The State Report on Transportation (SRT) contains three important documents: the Maryland Transportation Plan (MTP), the Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP), and annual Attainment Report (AR) on Transportation System Performance.

*More information to follow soon.*

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## Take the 4Business Survey - Now Available en español

Survey responses will help inform the County about actions it can take to encourage businesses to locate, expand and thrive here. Survey responses will also be used to enhance business and County relations.

The [survey](#) will be available until September 30, 2019. Click [HERE](#) for the Spanish survey.

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### ***Harvest Festival***

**Saturday, October 5 11:00am – 4:00pm  
Agricultural History Farm Park  
18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood**

**\$15/car**

Come to the Agricultural History Farm Park to learn how Montgomery County's farms and communities work together this year's Harvest Festival. Interact with living historians in historic costumes; participate in hands-on farm skills activities such as tin-smithing, making apple butter; paint pumpkins and build scarecrows; enjoy traditional music and dancing; experience farm equipment exhibitions and demonstrations; meet heritage farm animals; and partake of food, crafters, hayrides, and tours of the historic Magruder-Bussard Farmstead. [LEARN MORE](#) (the day's activities)

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***Montgomery Parks presents . . .***

### ***Toast to Taste***

**Saturday, October 12 1:00pm-5:00pm  
Germantown Town Center Urban Park  
19840 Century Boulevard, Germantown**

Come sip, savor and enjoy an afternoon of craft brews and delicious food in the beautiful surroundings of Germantown Town Center Urban Park. Five local breweries will be on hand to showcase their signature beers alongside specifically paired dishes.

**Guests must be 21 years old and up, and present a valid form of ID.**

Tickets available at [www.ActiveMontgomery.org](http://www.ActiveMontgomery.org) (\$30 - \$35)

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## **2019 Montgomery County Unity Walk**

**Sunday, October 13 1:00pm-6:00pm  
James Hubert Blake High School  
300 Norwood Road, Silver Spring**

*Many Faiths, One Community*

Resource Fair starts at 1:00pm  
Opening Ceremony at 1:30pm

Come celebrate our county's unity with art and music, enjoy a resource fair and tour houses of worship along the "Highway to Heaven", formerly known as New Hampshire Avenue. Register at [www.tinyurl.com/2019unitywalk](http://www.tinyurl.com/2019unitywalk)

Questions? Contact the **Faith Community Advisory Council (Unity Walk Subcommittee)** at [unitywalkmoco@gmail.com](mailto:unitywalkmoco@gmail.com)

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**County's Office of Procurement's October Open House**  
Wednesday, October 16 10:00am – 11:00am  
255 Rockville Pike, Suite 180, Rockville

Watch the [VIDEO](#) from the July Open House!

*also...*

**An Active LSBRP Solicitation**

[1109420](#) Wheaton Library Cafe  
Closing date: September 30, 2019 at 3:00 PM

For a full list of solicitations, visit our [website](#)

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**Montgomery Council Releases Report on Racial Equity and Social Justice Findings from Community Conversations**

***Up to 1,000 Montgomery County stakeholders participated in conversations across the County aimed at identifying major drivers of inequity.***

This week, the Montgomery County Council released *Office of Legislative Oversight (OLO) Report 2019-16: Findings from 2019 Racial Equity and Social Justice Community Conversations*, which identifies major themes and makes recommendations based on the outcome of the 2019 community conversation meetings. Between March and July of 2019, Council President Nancy Navarro, the Council and County Executive Marc Elrich held four community conversations, attended by more than 600 residents, which helped guide the creation of the recently-introduced Racial Equity and Social Justice Act. Approximately 400 other residents also participated in community meetings organized by various groups.

The report finds that participants identified both systemic racism and individual racism as drivers of racial inequity and injustice in Montgomery County. Four main policy areas emerged as the biggest challenges to achieving racial equity and social justice in Montgomery County: education, housing, criminal justice and employment.

Read more at [https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=23495&Dept=1](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=23495&Dept=1)

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***Enjoy Your Weekend Trip!***

**Maryland State Highway Administration's District 3 Office's  
Planned Major Lane Closures**

[https://www.roads.maryland.gov/OC/D3\\_LANE\\_CLOSURES.pdf](https://www.roads.maryland.gov/OC/D3_LANE_CLOSURES.pdf)

Use the link above to find this week's Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) District 3 planned major construction-related lane closure update. Please share this information with members of your staff, members of your email or list serve groups, visitors to your website and your social media followers. Equipment used for construction may be disruptive.

For weekly notices, visit <https://www.roads.maryland.gov/Home.aspx>

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## County Health Officials Announce Annual Flu Vaccination Campaign; Online Appointment System Available

County Health officials announced the dates for the annual flu vaccination campaign and urged residents to get a flu vaccination. Vaccination is the best way to protect against illness during flu season. Seasonal flu will also be circulating in the fall and winter and can cause serious illness.

Seasonal flu vaccinations will be readily available through private health providers, as well as at retail locations throughout the community. County-sponsored seasonal flu vaccination clinics will be held beginning in late October. Check the County's flu website at [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/flu](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/flu) or information on flu vaccination. Anyone not wanting to get the flu should receive the seasonal flu vaccination, particularly the elderly, household members living with children younger than six months of age, health care workers and individuals with chronic illnesses.

Flu shots will be available to individuals 6 months of age and older; schedule appointments on the County's website or call 311.

**See locations and times at**

[https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press\\_Detail.aspx?Item\\_ID=23500](https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=23500)

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Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep>

Department of Permitting Services <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dps>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/partnerships>

Commission for Women <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>

Department of Health and Human Services [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs)